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1. Twelve tanks left the Rohrbeck barracks at about 6 p.m. on 19 May 1950. They were followed shortly by seven other tanks of type T-34 and 18 motorcycles with sidecars. The tanks proceeded toward the training grounds, from where artillery fire was heard throughout the night. *

2. Twelve 76.2-mm guns, four field kitchens, 27 trucks and troops were loaded on a train at the Doeberitz railroad station on 2 June 1950. The 14 boxcars of the train were occupied by about 30 soldiers each. Trucks

_____ were seen. The train left toward Wustermark at about 2 p.m.

3. Troops, twelve 76.2-mm guns, two field kitchens and 21 trucks were entrained at the Doeberitz railroad station on the same day. The nine boxcars of the train were occupied by about 20 soldiers each, wearing red-bordered black epaulets, some with artillery insignia. Trucks

_____ were seen. The train left toward Wustermark at about 8 p.m. **

4. Groups of officers and NCOs went from the camp in Doeberitz to the railroad station and boarded a freight train on the afternoon of 2 June 1950. Several groups rode on trucks. The soldiers had only small hand luggage with them. A railroadman said that the train was bound for Neuruppin, where a course of instruction was being held. ***

* Comment. Exercises of elements of the 1st Mecz Div at the nearby training grounds

** Comment. Departure of elements of the 1st Mecz Div _____ The troops were possibly enroute to troop training grounds. Thirty tanks were also entrained in Doeberitz on 1 June 1950. _____ A train carrying 20 tanks and trucks passed through Wustermark on the same day, heading toward Rathenow. _____

*** Comment. It is possible that the officers and NCOs observed may have departed to attend such a course of instruction.

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